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## PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

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Dear Sir:

Applicant hereby petitions the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks to extend the time for response to the Official Action dated May 4, 2004 for one month from August 4, 2004 to September 4, 2004.

A credit card authorization form to cover the cost of the extension is attached. Any deficiency or overpayment should be charged or credited to Deposit Account No.: 07-1337.

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